

In response, Applicant elects Species (b) directed to nucleoside derivatives wherein Y is oxygen or sulfur.

Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims directed to additional species. Currently, all claims are generic and all claims read on the elected species.

Favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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